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SURCHARGED STAMPS.

By Dr. Legrand, *Secy of Societe Francaise de Timbrologie.*

Translated by M. R. Knight.

(Continued.)

1. Every surcharge modifying the value, the country, or the use of the stamp, ought to have been preceded by a decree or order, which prescribes it. All the probabilities are in favour of this supposition. One may venture to say that to-day there exists scarcely a country possessing stamps which does not reckon one or several collectors. It is for these to transmit to stamp journals, *copies of the decree or order.* But that is not enough. It is necessary that they send the *very No. of the local journal which publishes it;* at least, that they give the *No.*, the *date*, the *page* and *column* where the decree may be found. It is not enough to copy it, it is necessary that one may be able to verify it in the collections of public libraries, and that for the edition of stamp journals, a sight of the fragment of the local journals which has been sent to him, may leave no doubt as to the origin and authenticity.

2. In default of this capital proof, there may exist sufficient presumptive evidence. Thus, so far as the English colonies are concerned, it will be observed that the surcharge of the Delarue firm are very often in *Egyptian letters* and made *with method.* This may be considered as a strong presumptive proof; but the surcharged stamps of the British Colonies, are far from being found in this state. It will suffice to compare with one another the surcharges of the late stamps of Ceylon, to recognize that the first, known to be of native origin, are not in Egyptian letters, and yet their existence is not contested.

3. A third circumstance may render probable the existence of a surcharge in the absence of a decree or of the evidence just referred to. When a *change in the postal tariff* compells the creation of a new value, and recourse is had to a surcharge provisionally, haste is made to *prepare a new stamp without surcharge*, of the new value. It was thus with the 3 pence of the Cape. Is not this an indirect proof of the genuineness of the surcharged stamp? Also when a new series appears and we *do not find in it a stamp corresponding in value with the surcharged stamps previously issued*, we may affirm that these letters are the *work of a forger.* It is this consideration which led us to discredit the surcharge CUARTO of Columbia, which no journal, although the *Philatelic Record* may say so, has called in question until we manifested our incredulity before the Society.

4. Tnis leads us to point out another reason for regarding with doubt, certain surcharges It is when there exists a *constant and myterious error.* The stamp of 4 centavos of Columbia. (July, 1883), have CUARTO instead of CUATRO. Now not only has no decree been cited, ordering the surcharge, not only did the series of 1883, emitted some months after, *contain no 4 centavos,* but further there is an *error. Cuarto centavos* might mean *a quarto centavo* (if without the *s),* but not *four centavos.* Besides it is constant and not accidental. Is not this an indirect proof of its falsity ?

It has been said that authentic surcharged stamps have the surcharge upon *stamps of a higher value.* If the assertion is true in general, it is not for all absolutely so. We have instanced the 15 centesimi Italian of 1863 transformed into 20 in 1886. A too confident conclusion from this that there would be loss to the forger, is mistaken. If the addition of a surcharge of *25 centimes* to a stamp of *one franc* will not render easy and advantageous its use in the country, it is not the same with collectors. And if the forger sell for 10 francs the stamp on which he has lost 75 centimes, has he not still a good enough profit to enable him to purchase a country house or a cottage by the sea ?

This leads us to say a few words on the value of surcharged stamps. Here we have, we believe, one of the grand reasons why they are called in question. THEY ARE TOO DEAR ! ! When one sees a man ask 10 francs for a surcharge giving to a stamp the value of 25 centimes, the first impulse is to put one's hand on his pocket—to defend his purse. But he is impressed with the provisional character of these stamps, their present and especially future rarity. Often the stamp arrives in quantity shortly after, and one repents of having yielded. We receive then, with suspicion, stamps that are more authentic perhaps.

Who is to blame ? It is certain that the market value of a stamp does not agree with the facial value. A great many causes give it value. We believe that in general, we should accept with reserve, pieces that are unique in the matter of surcharges, and that if we pay *four or five times* its monetary value for a stamp, it is well paid for. But we prejudge nothing. It is for the collector not to be in a hurry and to take into account the circumstances which have ruled in the making of the surcharge. There is always a contingent which justifies or excuses the conduct observed.

To what conclusion do we come ? That it is necessary to study the surcharges as one has studied the stamps themselves, the private stamps, the essays, the reprints. What else is Philately but the attentive study of stamps ?

Now this study comprises the examination of all the peculiarities connected with them. It is not enough to arrange their little forms in his collection. He must study the mode of engraving, the system of impression, the paper, its quality, the watermarks which it contains in its substance, the presence or absence of what it is convenient to call perforations, the colour of paper or print, etc. It is only after having examined all these points that the collector decides upon the genuineness of a stamp. Let us do the same with the surcharges ; let us search for the order of their birth ;

in default of this, let us depend upon the circumstances described above, and others that can be found, in order to prove or disprove their authenticity.

How the desire to have in our collections UNIQUE stamps, drives us to admit without question what is offered to us, whatever may be the price, and under the fallacious pretext that no one possesses the like of it.

To facilitate this study of surcharges, it appears to us necessary to prepare a list of those of all countries to point out the proofs of their genuineness, to express the doubts which they inspire. The researches that this work will demand from collectors, will throw light gradually upon their authenticity. We shall receive the good, we shall reject the bad, which, in our opinion, will be better than a wholesale proscription or one by categories, as the German Society proposes.

We shall not pretend to do this work ; our occupation does not permit it, but here is something to tempt the activity of the collector.

We may say, in closing, that surcharges have been employed for the same uses on telegraph and fiscal stamps.

As for these last, there exists a very great number of them, and the interest attached to an inquiry concerning their authenticity, is not less than that with reference to postage stamps. We ought to say, however, the expertness of the forgers has neglected this subject, because of the small number of collectors who collect fiscal stamps.—*La Livre D'Or de la Timbrologie.*

THE ADHESIVE STAMPS OF CEYLON TO THE END OF 1870.

A Paper read before the Philatelic Society, London, on Friday, 8th March, 1889.

BY W. B. THORNHILL.

THE stamps of Ceylon, so far as I can ascertain, have not been under the Society's notice since December, 1874, when they were the subject of study, and you will find the reference list coupled then in vol. ix. of the *Philatelist.* As I am much interested in Ceylon stamps myself, and as our Vice-President wrote on the subject in the jubilee number of the *Timbre-Poste*, and was answered by Major Evans, about a point in connection with these stamps hitherto practically not discussed, it struck me a paper on the subject, together with a reference list (pending the further study of these stamps by the Society), might be of interest to you, dealing with the point above alluded to ; viz., the reason for the existence of long and short Ceylon stamps of same origin and value of the Perkins, Bacon, and Co. type.

I have been as careful as possible in my facts, and shall be much obliged to anyone who will correct any faults.

You probably all remember that Major Evans, in his catalogue, appends a note on the unwatermarked stamps of 1863 as follows : " These stamps are apparently (indeed, we may say certainly) from the same plates as the other issues ; but at the same time, the impressions on this paper are about $\frac{1}{16}$ inch shorter than those on other papers. This can only have been

occasioned by the paper having shrunk to some extent since the stamps were printed, and this would also account for the fact of the perforation gauging 13 instead of 12½." I agree with Major Evans, as I hope to prove later on, that there is no doubt the stamps are from the same matrices, which is, I suppose, Major Evan's meaning when he calls them plates. But, as Mr. Tapling points out in the *Timbre-Poste*, I think he is wrong in saying this can only have been occasioned by shrinkage in paper, because if so it is only a natural inference that the short Crown C C stamps, the existence of which Major Egan does not seem to have noticed, are due to shrinkage also, in which case, according to him, the perforation ought to be 13, instead of which it is 12½.

Mr. Tapling, in his article, says they cannot be due to shrinkage of paper, becauae they have all shrunk evenly. I am afraid I must disagree with him, as they have shrunk, if shrinkage it is, most unevenly, as you will see from this table of measurements which I have prepared. I have taken off the measurements under a strong glass with a pair of fine compasses, and from a centimetre scale. You will see that you can hardly find two stamps of exactly the same measurements in the same value, though the difference in many cases is too small to signify.

I regret to say my endeavours to get any official information from Messrs. De la Rue have proved futile, as they say they are not at liberty to give any information as to their stamp issues. Therefore I must take my dates and other information derived from catalogues as correct for the present.

Before considering the measurements, it will, I think, be better to study the die or dies, paper, perforation, and watermark, and see if any of these bear on the question. Whether they do or not, some of the facts may be of interest.

DIES.

We will start with the assumption that the die for each value through all the issues is the same, and I think I shall show that it is. I believe I am correct in stating that the imperforated and perforated star-watermarked sets were engraved and printed by Messrs. Perkins, Bacon, and Co., and that in 1860 the contract was taken over by Messrs De la Rue, together with the dies, and the stamps printed by them on their own paper. I understand the 1863 no-watermark set are supposed to have been printed by the former firm; but I am inclined to think that the change of paper, perforation, and colours in this set (the colours agreeing much more with the Crown and CC set than with the star sets, and we know the former were printed by Messrs. De la Rue) rather denote that they were printed by Messrs. De la Rue, and that they were unable or did not trouble, to use exactly the same pigments as were used by Messrs. Perkins, Bacon, and Co.

There are certainly three distinct designs for the heads, necessitating three dies, as can be seen by comparing a ½d., 1d. and 4d. The difference is so distinct that I need not particularize much. The crown differs in each, the heads differ in size and shape, and the 1d. type has earrings, which neither of the others have.

Of the ½d. die, the no-watermark and Crown and C C stamps seem identical.

Of the 1d. die, the 1d., 2d., 5d.. 6d., 10d., 1s. are all the same as regards the head and the engine-turned oval containing the head; but the rest of the rectangle outside the oval, differs somewhat in most of the values, as does of course the lettering of value. These differences are so patent that I will not take up your time mentioning them. You will see all those that differ in the specimens before you.

Of the 4d. die, the 4d., 8d., 9d., 1s. 9d., 2s. all appear to be identical, with the exception of the lettering of value.

PAPER.

All the star-watermarked stamps are on a fairly uniform fine wove yellowish to white paper.

The 1d. and 6d. are found *bleute;* the former perforated and imperforated, the latter only, I believe imperforated. The 1d. is not supposed to exist, but I think the specimen before you is undoubtedly *bleute.* The imperforated ½d., and the ½d. perforated, 1863, are on enamelled wove paper, *bleute* and white, though the imperforated alone are found *bleute.*

The 1863 no-watermark set seem to be on a distinctly different make of paper—thinner and crisper. There is a peculiar blurred appearance in the 6d. and 9d. of this set, reminding one of the Trinidad 1864 set. which tells one at once to what issue they belong.

The paper of the Crown and C C set is white wove, and again somewhat different, varying much in substance, and may be found almost like cartridge paper.

PERFORATION.

As in the first issue perforated Queensland, the first issue perforated Ceylon may be divided into two sets—clean-cut and roughly-cut perforations; though so far I have not come across a 5d. roughly perforated, or a 6d., 8d., 9d., 10d., clean cut. They gauge irregularly 14 to 16, and compound in both sets. The 1863 set (with exception of the ½d., which gauges 12½), gauges 13, fairly clean cut, though there is a 1d. gauging 12 before you, kindly lent to me by Mr. Barrett. The Crown and C C sets gauge very regularly 12½, though I have seen a ½d. gauging 12½ by 13, and I have a 1d. gauging 12.

WATERMARK.

I have nothing to call your attention to in the star-watermarked stamps, nor in the no-watermarked set (1863), except that it is curious how seldom pairs of these stamps are met with, except the 1d., which I have seen. Was this set printed on unwatermarked paper, or was it due to accident? I suppose it was the former; but how comes it that, as you will see by a specimen I have of the 1s., which I do not think there is any doubt belongs to this set, you find a D watermarked in the paper? What was the sheet on which this stamp was printed watermarked with? The only lettering in the watermarking of the sheets I have seen is "Crown

Colonies," in various sized types, and it is no part of those words. I must therefore take a leap in the dark, and suggest that it is the D of De la Rue, who either manufactured the paper or had their name watermarked in it. If I land on secure ground, of course my previous surmise as to the printers of this set are correct.

I am now going to tread on very delicate ground, and fully expect our Vice-President's incisive pen will be in motion very soon. You all know, I take it, that certain values of the long stamps, in the colours of the Crown and C C set, are supposed to exist without watermark, of which our Vice-President has several. I do not believe in their existence without a watermark. My reasons for coming to this conclusion are, first and mainly, because I have never seen one. I have had several sent me, and had several myself, that I fondly believed to be like Cæsar's wife; but I have found, on submitting them to a bath, and otherwise carefully examining them, that every one revealed either a portion of the Crown and C C, part of a letter, or a line; and I have little doubt, if I might be allowed to soak and examine any of these so-called no-watermarked long stamps, I should find a watermark.

(Continued.)

NOTES.

THE President purposes paying a visit to Europe soon after the annual convention of the C. P. A. is held, when, he informs us, he intends calling upon the philatelic societies of Great Britain and the continent, and using his best efforts to bring them into closer and more intimate relations to our association than they now are. We believe that his tour will result in much good to the C. P. A.

MR. A. A. BARTLETT, of Charlottetown, a member of the C. P. A. and A. P. A., is visiting Europe. He writes from Amsterdam under date of the 22nd of April. He says that the philatelic exhibition there was very interesting and a complete success. He speaks of it with great praise. Thence he was to go to Paris to see the world's exhibition and will improve the occasion to call on philatelic friends there. He expects to return home early in June, and his arrival will be looked for with much interest, as he will doubtless bring lots of valuable information.

THE Canada 2c Registration stamp will soon be a thing of the past. The following is the official order in connection with it:

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC.

CHANGES IN POSTAGE RATES UNDER AUTHORITY OF POST OFFICE ACT 1889.

The rate of postage upon Letters posted in Canada, addressed to places within the Dominion or in the United States, will be 3 cents per ounce instead of 3 cents per half ounce as heretofore.

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cent per half ounce. The rate of postage upon Drop Letters, except in the Cities where free delivery by Letter Carrier has been established, will be 1 cent per ounce.

The fee for the Registration of a letter or other article of mail matter, will be five cents upon all classes of correspondence passing within the Dominion. For the present and until further instructed, the registration fee may be prepaid by using the 2 cent Registration Stamps and Postage Stamps to make up the amount.

Letters insufficiently prepaid will be charged double the deficiency as heretofore, provided at least a partial prepayment has been made.

Letters posted wholly unpaid will be sent to the Dead Letter Office for return to the writer.

JOHN G. HAGGART,
Postmaster General.

POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT,
OTTAWA, 8th May, 1889.

CHRONICLE.

Argentine Republic.—The new 5c. has head of Rivadavia in circle with "Correos y Telegrafos" above.

Bavaria.—The 3 and 5 pf. unpaid are perf. 14½, and the 10 pf. card has "89."

Bhopal.—The ¼a. green with B. L. C. I. has been re-engraved. There are two errors, SAH and NEWA. They are imperf. and perf. 6. There is also a new ¼a., black, square, 32 var. BECAM, except one which is EECAM.

Bulgaria.—*Le T. P.* tells us the 3 on 5 st. was never issued by the government.

Cape of Good Hope.—The registry envelope is now made by De la Rue & Co.

Ceylon.—The 4c., both violet and rose, are surcharged TWO over the word FOUR, and there are of course, several errors and double surcharges.

Congo Free State.—There is a new 25c. blue, type of the 5frc., also the new cards, 10c. black on white, and 15c., carmine on buff. Finally the 5frc. is surcharged "Colis Postaux—Fr. 3.50" in rectangular frame.

Denmark.—The 5 ore cards have smaller figures in the corner of the stamp.

Faridkot.—The ½a. of 1882 is re-engraved for the second time. Blue on white. Imperf.

French Colonies.—Mons. Maury has bands of 4c. and 5c.

Greece.— Mr. Rechert shows us the the 1 lepton, Athens impression.

Gwailor.—*The Ph; R,* notes the ½a. envelope, surcharged in red, and arms in blue.

Indo-China.—A second type of surcharge has "1889" below "Indo-Chine." 5c. on 35c.

Jamaica.—Another new stamp has been issued. A 2d., head of Queen in circular band inscribed "Jamaica" above, and "Postage and Revenue" at the sides. Below is an octagonal label, with large figure of value. 2d. green, wmk C. A., perf. 14.

Nabha.—The ½a. is surcharged in black, also the official ½a. and 4a. The ¼a. card has the arms in black.

Natal.—The 5sh. maroon has wmk. C. A.

Norway.—Card, 10+10 ore, carmine on white, form 1. No frame.

New South Wales.—Mr. Vindin sends us the new 5sh. stamp. A map of Australia is in an octagonal frame, inscribed "New South Wales Postage" and "Five Shillings." Color purple, wmk, figure of value, perf. 11.

The one shilling of this issue was issued on 21st February last, and represents a Kangaroo, an animal indigenous to Australia; in fact, its discovery was made by Captain Cook in 1770. On an uncoloured arched tablet above the Kangaroo is the inscription "ONE HUNDRED YEARS," and "NEW SOUTH" on the left side, "WALES POSTAGE" on the right side, in uncoloured letters an a solid ground. A straight tablet at the foot carries the value in letters. It is the best executed of the series, though there are too many accessory ornaments in the way of flowers; in fact the Kangaroo is in a perfect bower of bliss. The perforation is $11 \times 11\frac{1}{2}$. More care has been taken with the details of printing, perforation, and gumming, than in some of the earlier issues of the series.

Dr. Houison writes us, under date of 28th February, that the five shillings, the last of the issue, would be ready in a few days. On the whole, the "Native series" has disappointed the Colonies as well as ourselves. It is a pity that the order for the dies was not given to a firm in England to execute.

We have received from Mr. Campbell a registration envelope which may be termed a provisional issue, as it was issued pending the arrival of a stock of the ordinary form. It measures $148\frac{1}{2} \times 86$ mm., is of the ordinary form of envelope with tongue-shaped flap and of white paper lined with muslin. The crossed lines and instructions are in red, and similar to those on the other issues, the registration stamp of 4 pence being struck in pink on the end of the flap

Adhesive. 1 shilling, violet brown.

Registered envelope. 4 pence, pink, with instructions in red; *ordinary shape.*

—*Ph. Record.*

Paraguay.—There is a 15c. stamp, violet, with cap, star and wreath in oblong frame, with figures of value at corner.

Philippine I.—The 10c. green is surcharged 2½c.

St. Vincent.—We have received the 5 sh. with C A watermark. Perf. 14

Surinam.—New stamps, 15c, gray; 20c., green; 30c., red-brown; unpaid letter, 30c., 50c., lilac and black. Cards 2½c., and $2\frac{1}{2} \times 2\frac{1}{2}$c., carmine on rose, 5c. and 5×5c., violet on blue.

Sweden.—Post card, 10 ore, carmine on white, with "Sverige—Suede" inserted in frame at top, and other changes in the inscriptions.

Venezeula.—The 10c. Card has been re-engraved. There are slight differences in the stamp and frame.

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Halifax, 1st May, 1889.

As the annual Convention of the Association is this year to be held in Halifax, I hereby appoint the time for it to meet, on the 31st day of July, at 3 p. m., and to continue to meet thereafter, until the business before it is completed.

My reason for fixing this date, as the summer carnival in this city is to open on the 4th August, and special facilities for travel, such as reduced rates, etc., will be offered, and members will also have an opportunity to enjoy the stirring events of that occasion.

Many members of the C. P. A. and other sister societies, will doubtless be taking their vacations at that time, so that a larger attendance may be then expected than at a later date.

As three months will intervene, members have ample time to make their arrangements accordingly.

I trust that the members will be pleased with the date that has been selected.

HENRY HECHLER,
President C. P. A.

DONALD A. KING,
Secretary.

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

Halifax, N. S., May 10th, 1889.

GENTLEMEN,—As will be seen above, the Convention will meet in Halifax on the 31st July, 1889. It is to be hoped that as many members as possible, both Canadian and American, will attend, as it can be done very cheaply on account of the reduced fares in connection with the summer carnival here.

LIST OF NEW MEMBERS, No. 10.

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DONALD A. KING,
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PICTOU, N. S. *April 19th, 1889.*

To the Editor "Halifax Philatelist":

DEAR SIR,—Will you kindly publish in your next issue, the following notice of motion to amend the Constitution of the C. P. A.

I hereby give notice that I will, at the next convention of the C. P. A., to be held in Halifax during the coming summer, move the following resolution:

Resolved, That in the opinion of the Association, there is no necessity for the election of Vice-Presidents for each Province of the Dominion as such officers are of no real use or benefit to the Association.

And that Article 4, Sec. 1, be changed to read, "The elective officers of this Association shall consist of a President, a Vice-President, a Sec'y, a Treasurer, &c., &c."

And that Sec. 2, Article 5, be expunged from the Constitution. It being generally accepted that the duty of a Vice-President is to preside in the absence of his superior.

Yours respectfully,

ALVAN J. CRAIG,
Vice-Pres. for N. S., C. P. A.

HALIFAX, *May 2nd, 1889.*

Official Editor:

DEAR SIR,—Since sending my report, I have received from Mr. Leighton, a letter which came too late to correct in last month's paper. He states that all the receipts, &c., have been handed over to the Financial Committee. As the report read, it would lead all to suppose that Mr. Leighton had these papers still in his possession.

H. L. HART, *Treas.*

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SECRETARY'S REPORT.

APRIL 29th, 1889.

MEETING opened at 8.30 p. m. V. P. Larsen in the chair. Members present:—Messrs. Crane, King, Larsen, O., Larsen, T., Hechler, Hart, DeWolfe, Kaye, Currie, Jubien, Smith, A. E., E. F., Ed., and Francis; and as visitors, Messrs. W. W. Walsh and J. C. DeWolfe. Minutes of last meeting read and approved. Messrs. DeWolfe and Walsh were proposed and elected as members, Nos. 27 and 28.

A. E. Jubien was proposed and elected Secretary. There being no other business on, the auction sale advertised for this date was held and was most successful. 125 lots were sold for $161.11.

Meeting adjourned at 11 p. m.

A. E. JUBIEN, *Secretary.*

MAY 13th, 1889.

MEETING opened at 8.30 p. m. V. P. Larsen in the chair. Members present:—Messrs. Larsen, T., Francis, Hart, King, Hechler, DeWolfe, J. E., Currie and Jubien. Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

The Treasurer reported funds of the Association as low, and various ways of increasing them were discussed. Mr. Hechler gave notice that at the next meeting he would move that an assessment of 25 cents be levied on all members.

On account of poor attendance, the auction was postponed until next meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 9.30 p. m.

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